

30 March 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Security

SUBJECT : Establishment of the Special Clearance
Security Control Center

1. I have concurred in the draft of the enabling document for the establishment of a Central Special Clearance Control Center in the Office of Security.

2. I have been informed by the Chief, Security Branch, DPD, that the details with regard to the establishment and operation of this Center remain to be worked out. I agree with the soundness of the concept and that initially the "T" system indices be collated with those of SI and, after that phase is completed and functioning, the [redacted] system records be phased in.

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4. The problem of project approvals for industrial personnel for these sensitive programs under [redacted] I suggest, will require 25X1A2D1 individual attention and, undoubtedly, will have to be considered separately from the area of special clearances for Government employees.

5. Before deciding as to the feasibility of transferring slots to the Center, I would appreciate a review by your office of the scope of functions and adequacy of the staffing of the DPD Security Branch.

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Attachment: Draft of Enabling Memo

28 March 1962

Note for Attachment to DD/CI Memo Regarding Establishment of Special Clearance Security Control Center:

I concur in the plan for establishment of the subject Security Control Center under the assumption that CIA will provide top grade humans and machine data handling devices in proper strength and proportion to effectively handle the Special Clearance problems which are sensitive, important and usually demanding solution on the shortest of deadlines. In this type of Center a clear and continuing view of CIA internal efficiency is provided to the nation's leaders and scores of representatives of the whole U.S. military-intelligence community. Any failures, delays or dereliction can create immediate and serious repercussions while a record of perfect operational performance will scarcely stimulate one kind word of community appreciation.

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